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In re U.S. Patent Application of:)	
William A. White, III, et al.)	
)	Examiner: BENGZON, Greg C.
Application No. 10/004,311)	
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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR)	
ASSIGNING A NETWORK NODE)	Atty Docket No: SAA-61 (402P254)
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REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED AUGUST 9, 2005

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Dear Examiner:

This Response is to the final Office Action mailed August 9, 2005. This Response is being submitted within the three month shortened statutory time period. Accordingly, this response should be considered timely filed.

This Reply should be considered a submission in a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 (see attached *Transmittal*). Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$790.00 to cover the cost of this request in accordance with §1.17(e). Reconsideration of the referenced application, including all pending claims, is respectfully requested in light of the amendments and remarks set forth below.

Listing of Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

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